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For: AUXILIARY SUPPORTING)
UNIT, BOARDING BRIDGE)
WITH SAME AND)
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This paper is in response to the restriction requirement mailed June 2, 2009 in the above-identified application. The Examiner has identified the following distinct groups:

III: claims 20-27, drawn to a method. Applicants elect Group II (Claims 10-19)

with traverse to the extent that Groups II and III should be examined together. The grounds for traversal are set forth in the Remarks below.